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For: DIFFRACTION TYPE LENS AND OPTICAL PICKUP APPARATUS USING THE SAME

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98

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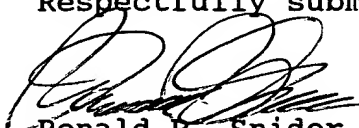
Sir:

In compliance with the dictates of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby submits an Information Disclosure Statement.

The attached documents are mentioned in the present specification and a brief description of their relevance can be found therein.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner consider each of these references and indicate such consideration by enclosing an appropriately initialled copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the Patent Office.

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